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TYPHOID FROM WATER.
A JERSEY CITY EPIDEMIC TRACED
TO A POLE WELL ON A FARM.

The President of the Board of Health
Says that the Water Was "Too Filthy
for a Human to Drink." Yet It Was
Used by Many Families in the Village.

Many cases of typhoid fever have developed within the last few weeks in the Greenville part of Jersey City. The fever first occasioned comment about two months ago, when there was a death on the Boulevard, near Girard avenue. Since then there has been only one death from typhoid fever in the neighborhood and that occurred about five weeks ago, but there have been numerous cases, and several persons are ill with it now. Residents of the neighborhood say that there have been ten or

Last week a physician who practises in Greenville reported to the Jersey City Board of Health that several of his typhoid patients had been in the habit of drinking water from some of their neighbors' wells. One well in particular had been used by nearly all of them. It was that of Mrs. Fanny Hilber, who has a small dairy farm besides a grocery and general store, 1,082 Bergen avenue, corner of Third avenue. The physician suggested that this well and others of the immediate neighborhood be examined carefully.

Health Board inspector and a policeman called at the houses where there was typhoid fever, asked where the families procured their drinking water, and then went to the various wells and took small sample bottles of the waters.

A few days later an officer returned to Mrs.

Hisler's ancestor, a five-gallon demijohn of the well's water. He told her, she said, that the water was good, and that she was to stop using the well, or it would ruin her bus.

"I had known that he wanted *us*," she said last night. "I would have gone out and borrowed it, though I'm a poor widow, working every day to support myself and children. But I only told him if he wanted to kill me—he was going to lay me off."

The water was not bad smelling, he said, and that although I had city water in the house, I could use the well water, too bad, but had no way to use the well water.

The water was analyzed, and day before yesterday, the results came back. The New York City Police Bureau sent word to Health Inspector Benjamin of the Greenwald district to close the well. The results were not good. The order said, "and otherwise—secure it so no one can use the water. The analysis proves that it is not fit for drinking."

It is permissible in Jersey to use water showing in 1,000,000 parts a total of 50 solids. This is the standard for lead.

24.8. were mineral and 94.0 organic, and a heavy excess of permanganate of potash, besides considerable quantities of iron, copper, lead, zinc, and traces of nitrates.

The owner of the pump refused to allow it to be used, and the plot was dropped and the handle was made useless for the present, pending further investigation.

As the water in the well is not pure, Sie proposes to have it cleaned and then have an analysis made for the benefit of the community.

Heuman said last night that Lawyer Eagen had been retained and had advised suched action to be taken.

Under the present condition, Heuman said, the well will be closed permanently; otherwise the efforts of the Health Board would be of no avail.

Mrs. Hiber sells milk from her small dairy on the lot, and that part of the place is a stable in the lot where her store and house are. The lot is 15.75 feet deep and the stable are at the bottom of it, and the milk is drawn from a pump removed from the tie well, which is just back of the house, to affect it, and the milk is then bottled.

There were no further questions. She settled on the place thirty-one dollars.

On this point the Huber family have the sympathy of all Jersey City.

It should be noted that there had been nearly a dozen cases of typhoid fever thereabouts within two months. His wife died of it five weeks ago, and the Hubers are now being watched by the health officials in the city as being in a satisfactory condition they will be closed.

Allice Jones Still Safe in New Jersey.

TRENTON, Feb. 19. A representative of the District Attorney's office in New York renewed his application before Gov. Griggs to-day for a requisition for Allice Jones of Orange, who is under indictment in New York on a charge of

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